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Applicant(s) : Lav et al.  
Serial No. : To Be Assigned Examiner:  
(Continuation of Ser. No. 09/312,796)  
Filed : May 16, 2001 Art Unit: 3736  
Title : A Medical Apparatus For Use By A Patient For Medical  
Self Treatment of Diabetes

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Box PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

On page 1, prior to the first line, insert:

TITLE OF THE INVENTION

On page 1, prior to line 4, insert:

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a continuation of U.S. application No. 09/312,796,  
filed May 17, 1999. This application also claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of

Danish application PA 1998 00714, filed May 20, 1998, and of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/087,187, filed on May 29, 1998.

## BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

On page 2, between lines 16 and 18, insert the following section  
heading:

### BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Replace the drawing description appearing on page 4, line 31 to page 5, line 20, with the following section:

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWING

Figure 1 shows a prior art doser with a conventional cap.

Figure 2 shows a doser and a cap with a BGM attached.

Figure 3 shows a doser and a cap with a BGM and a lancet device attached.

Figure 4 shows a doser and a cap with a BGM, a lancet device and a container for test strips attached.

Figure 5 shows a cap with a BGM, a lancet device, a test strip container and an additional container together with useful or needed extras.

Figure 6 shows a cap with a BGM, a lancet device, a test strip container and a mini-doser and a half-size container together with useful or needed extras.

Figure 7 shows a first combination of the items presented in figures 1-6.

Figure 8 shows a second combination of the items presented in figures 1-6.

Figure 9 shows a third combination of the items presented in figures 1-6.

#### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

On page 13, first line, replace "Patent Claims" with the following  
section heading:

#### CLAIMS

On page 15, first line, replace "ABSTRACT" with the following  
section heading:

#### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

#### IN THE CLAIMS

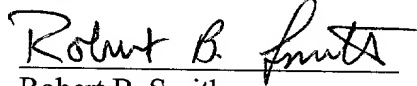
Replace claim 8 with the following claim:

8. An apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in that any of the  
said devices may occur in different sizes for interconnection with other devices.

**REMARKS**

The foregoing amendments to the specification are to add a priority claim, section headings under Rule 77, and a revised drawing description as requested by the Examiner in the parent case. The amendment to Claim 8 is to remove a multiple dependency and not related to the requirements for patentability.

Respectfully submitted,



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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Revisions of pages 4, line 31 to page 5, line 20:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWING

Figure 1 shows a prior art doser with a conventional cap. [,]

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Figure 7 shows a first combination of the items presented in figures 1-6. [,]

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Revisions on page 13, first line:

CLAIMS [Patent Claims]

Revision to claim 8:

8. An apparatus according to [any of the preceding claims] claim 1,  
characterized in that any of the said devices may occur in different sizes for intercon-  
nection with other devices.

Revisions on page 15, first line:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE